### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2017 No. 1035

# The Court of Protection Rules 2017

## PART 3

### MANAGING THE CASE

#### **Case management – unrepresented parties**

**3.2.**—(1) This rule applies in any proceedings where at least one party is unrepresented.

(2) When the court is exercising any powers of case management, it must have regard to the fact that at least one party is unrepresented.

(3) The court must adopt such procedure at any hearing as it considers appropriate to further the overriding objective.

(4) At any hearing when the court is taking evidence, this may include—

- (a) ascertaining from an unrepresented party the matters about which the witness may be able to give evidence or on which the witness ought to be cross-examined; and
- (b) putting or causing to be put to the witness such questions as may appear to the court to be proper.